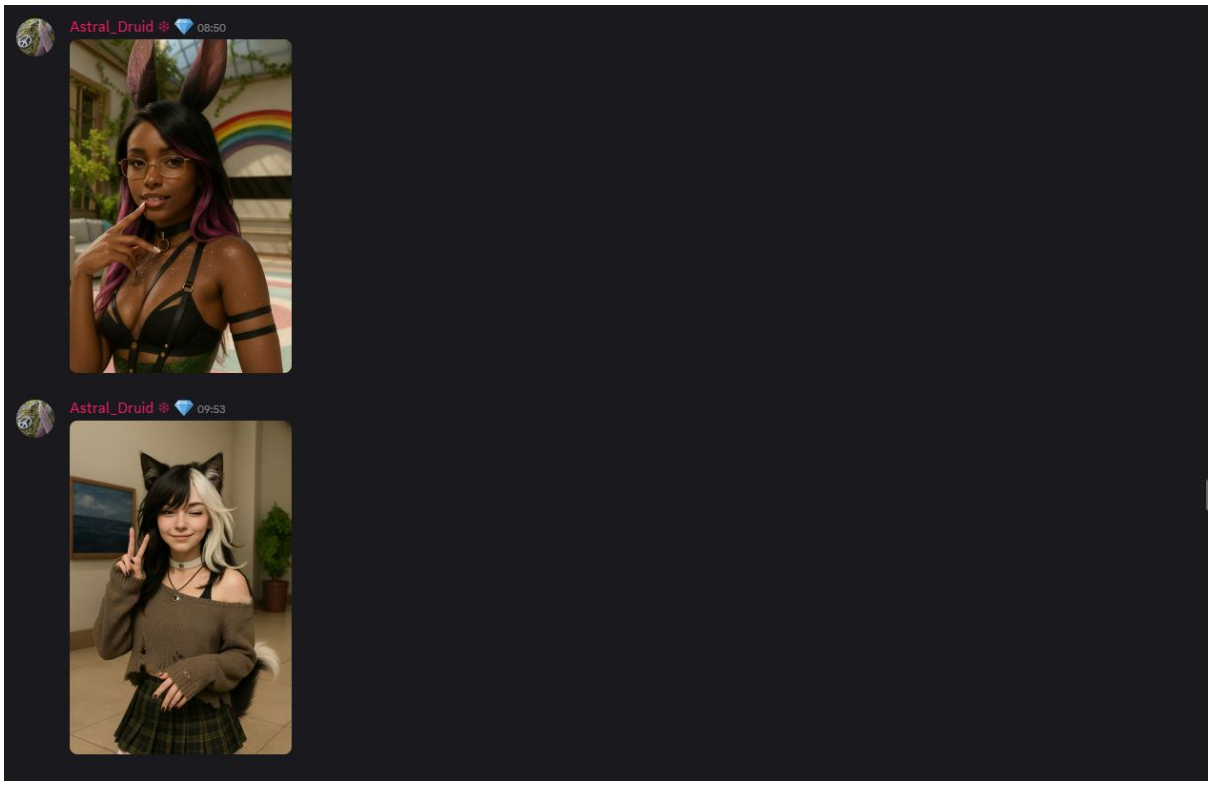
This is the Rainbow Library community! We are under assault! I repeat, we are under assault! Channels are flooded, moderation is compromised! Requesting support from any users within range… We are two threads away from collapse.

This is not an AI forum. Repeat, this is not an AI forum!

*Cue ominous synth swell and a midjourney-generated image glitching across the screen.*

Anyway, it speaks for itself. Owners and mods post AI generated slop, more mods support it, some people support it. Mod decided to die on the hill defending it. RL openly encourages AI art, as shown before (AI art is even used in the RL world itself).



@ Jellvi TheViridescentLady Are we AI altering screenshots now?

Akimbo 13:03
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Pyrus Rainbow Cat GOOB 13:55
okay how tf is tajt even done

@Astral_Druid *Click to see attachment*

Pyrus Rainbow Cat GOOB 13:56
Me next
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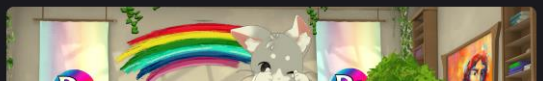

Lyxie #ffffff 14:07
Oh no, please

Sapphire cute 15:04
why ai..

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@Astral_Druid *Click to see attachment*

Alex Jade 15:14
Ah yes, nothing captures the soul of VRChat like vomiting it into an algorithm trained on stolen art to churn out a wet, plastic corpse of what used to be personality.

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Abyssal 16:23
Ahaaaa wow thats incredible.

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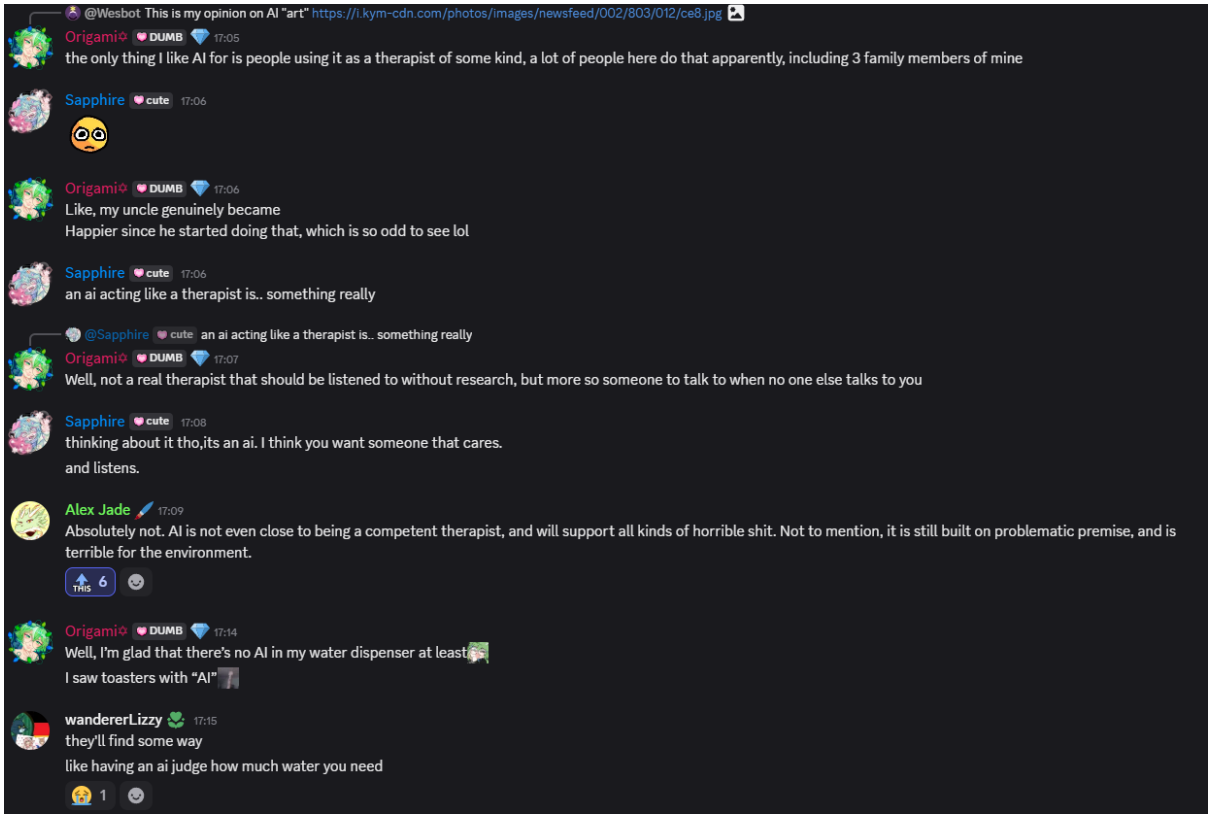
Rainbowz 16:49
Dude why tf are y'all promoting ai???
This server is feeling less and less like a safe space and more like a place where people go for their small friend groups like bruh

Alex Jade 17:00
Yep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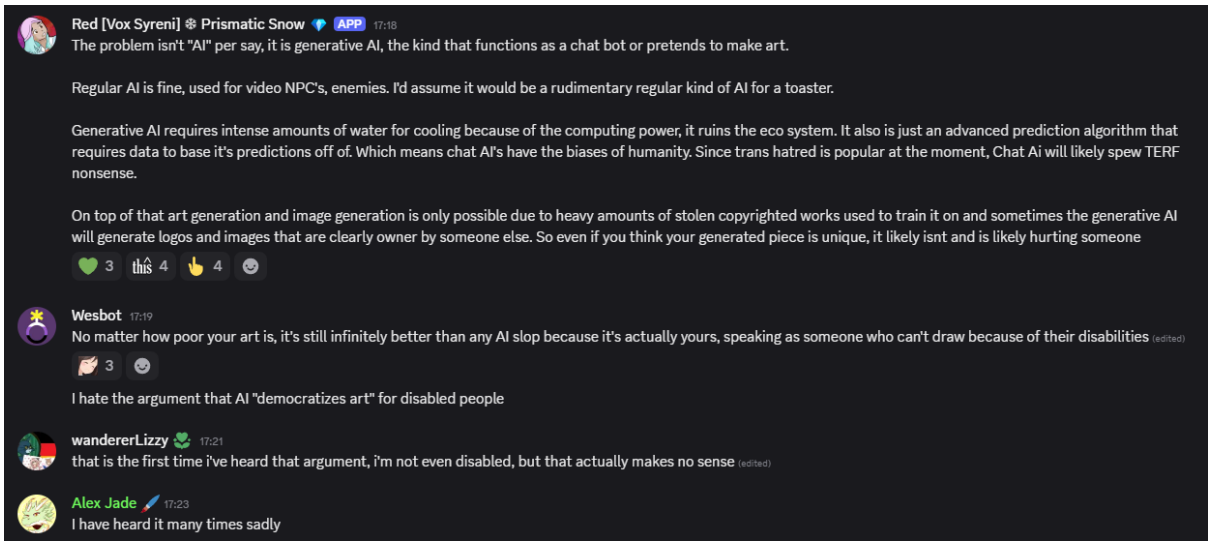
Red [Vox Syreni] ❄ Prismatic Snow APP 17:18
The problem isn't "AI" per say, it is generative AI, the kind that functions as a chat bot or pretends to make art.
Regular AI is fine, used for video NPC's, enemies. I'd assume it would be a rudimentary regular kind of AI for a toaster.
Generative AI requires intense amounts of water for cooling because of the computing power, it ruins the eco system. It also is just an advanced prediction algorithm that requires data to base it's predictions off of. Which means chat AI's have the biases of humanity. Since trans hatred is popular at the moment, Chat Ai will likely spew TERF nonsense.
On top of that art generation and image generation is only possible due to heavy amounts of stolen copyrighted works used to train it on and sometimes the generative AI will generate logos and images that are clearly owner by someone else. So even if you think your generated piece is unique, it likely isnt and is likely hurting someone
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Wesbot 17:19
No matter how poor your art is, it's still infinitely better than any AI slop because it's actually yours, speaking as someone who can't draw because of their disabilities (edited)
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I hate the argument that AI "democratizes art" for disabled people
wandererLizzy 17:21
that is the first time i've heard that argument, i'm not even disabled, but that actually makes no sense (edited)
Alex Jade 17:23
I have heard it many times sadly

Matty Matt 60HR 17:29
Always remember, even if you're using AI for personal goofs, your still helping it learn to steal art.
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Lyxie #ffffff 17:37
At this point in society I appreciate more people who take up art and start doodling than just prompting something random.
Anyone I see using AI is a big turndown for me, but some people just don't know all the implications of it yet, want to believe.

**Monarchy** 19:10
I feel similarly about AI as I do about money.
It's hurting humanity and the planet,
but it's nearly impossible to avoid at this point.
You don't need to feel guilty for using money
And you can use money, while also working to abolish it. (edited)
So yeah, generate an image or two, but also poison some data.
Take steps toward abolishing it, but until then, eh.

**Kelfie** 19:12
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**Monarchy** 19:12
Ehhhhhhhhh

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It's always a personal choice

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When was the last time you googled something?
Google results are getting worse and worse. It's sorta getting replaced by their ai

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**wandererLizzy** 19:13
also even if you don't use generative AI, that software it's running on still eats water

**Monarchy** 19:13
Absolutely. It's a bad institution.

@Monarchy When was the last time you googled something?
**Kelfie** 19:14
The Google ai assistant is literally constantly lying, I tend to avoid googling things these days

**Monarchy** 19:14
Right
That's my point. As you avoid google, AI is getting implemented into every service you use.

**Kelfie** 19:15
But also Google randomly spitting out ai responses isn't me using ai, it's google injecting it where it doesn't belong. That's not the same as money or generating images or text

**Monarchy** 19:15
That's true
We're just getting to the point that one individual choosing to not use AI to make a shit post is having such a small impact on slowing the machine, that it really doesn't feel like the hill to die on.

**Kelfie** 19:19
I don't think so. It's the easiest possible thing to not do so, it's trivial, it's a luxury to use it in the first place. The personal choice to continue doing so isn't good

**Monarchy** 19:22
So hypothetically, when the day comes that we have the chance to destroy the machine but we need enough people to get it done, you would tell everyone who ever used generative AI to go home, and not actually help ? (edited)

**Kelfie** 19:23
I'm not sure how we got from what I said to that hypothetical

Lyxie #ffffff 20:11
Either way, the more AI free we get, the less sad I'll be

Alex Jade 20:23
It is important to take a firm stance against it.

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:30
We deserve to exist in the world of artists don't need to be paid to live. And we deserve to exist in the world that is a post-labor economy
We deserve to exist in a world where the environment meets our needs inherently, and we are free to create and share with each other
Automation will destroy the market economy, what matters is how we decide to live afterwards

Kelfie 20:33
We deserve to exist in a world where our humanity is respected

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:34
Yes and to do that context must be given to all work created

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Alex Jade 20:34
I am confused by what point you are trying to make, considering you used AI yourself earlier o.o

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:37
The market economy must die

Kelfie 20:38
Ai slop benefits capitalists more since they have the means to exploit it far better than any individuals can
And it literally puts artists in boxes in the street

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:38
AI affects the virtual world first, but it will spread to all labor within the decade
The revolution is already happening
We should seize it for ourselves

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Astral_Druid ❄ 20:41
Libraries are great places to automate degrowth

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Lyxie #ffffff 20:42
I think as a community we should discourage Generational AI use.
Doesn't matter what society is doing outside, not that we should assimilate to the current train of tought for the sake of it.

Matty Matt 60HR 20:43
Either way you look at it, AI should not be allowed to steal people's art. It should only pull from a selection of images that are put there with consent of the owner.

Alex Jade 20:44
Also, you are not seizing the AI for yourself. Unless you have your own model and running your own instance of it.

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I could at most understand using the AI for something very important and accepting the tradeoff. But messing around with VRC pics really is not that.

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Astral_Druid ❄ 20:46
Yes true, we should build a public Commonwealth AI, and a global decree that **all AI productions not be eligible to be sold for profit** (edited)

Kelfie 20:47
Again, even if the models were ethically trained to do what they do now, it's still a massive detriment to people

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:47
**A librarian AI would be regulated, and generations would be catalogued** (edited)

Kelfie 20:47
Ai generated NSFW content of real humans isn't made better by being open source

Matty Matt 60HR 20:47
For it to do any good, proper laws need to be put in place, and enforced and I don't trust humanity to do that (edited)

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Alex Jade 20:48
I am not talking about some hypothetical future with some hypothetical model used for good

Wesbot 20:48
These "AIs" that exist are also bigoted in their structure

Alex Jade 20:48
I am talking about your use of AI now

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:48
Yes me too.
We are building this world today

Matty Matt 60HR 20:49
With stolen images?

> @Astral_Druid ❄ Yes me too.

Alex Jade 20:50
I do not understand then, how is using AI to generate Library related content included in what you are talking about?

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:51
Perhaps we can have a roundtable to discuss this, this is an issue too emotionally charged to bridge while I sit in my car paying my utility bills
There is a radical perspective that I am working towards, it is certainly not towards the benefit of Sam Altmans power structures.

Matty Matt 60HR 20:53
I understand you want to use it for good, but (excuse the nerd analogy) there's a reason Gandalf never used the ring.

Astral_Druid ❄ 20:54
Bad analogy.

Alex Jade 20:54
Let me know later then how generating those VRC RL pics contributed to anything meaningful.

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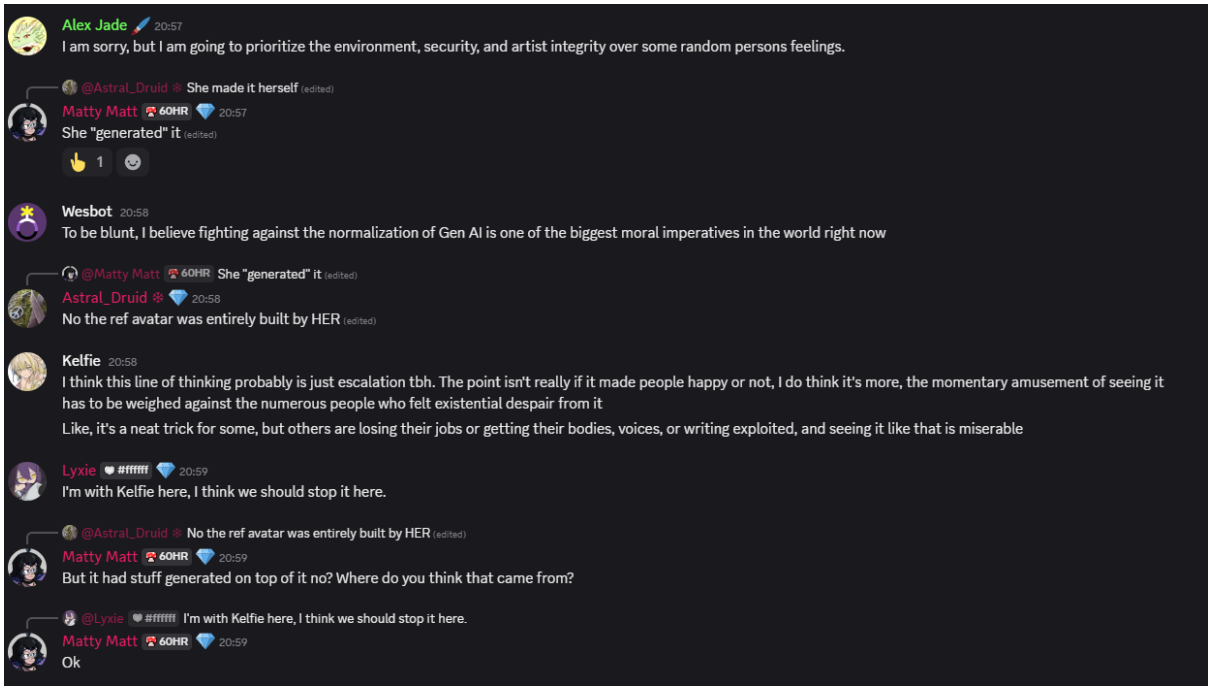

Alex Jade 20:57
I am sorry, but I am going to prioritize the environment, security, and artist integrity over some random persons feelings.

@Astral_Druid She made it herself (edited)
Matty Matt 60HR 20:57
She "generated" it (edited)
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Wesbot 20:58
To be blunt, I believe fighting against the normalization of Gen AI is one of the biggest moral imperatives in the world right now

@Matty Matt 60HR She "generated" it (edited)
Astral_Druid 20:58
No the ref avatar was entirely built by HER (edited)

Kelfie 20:58
I think this line of thinking probably is just escalation tbh. The point isn't really if it made people happy or not, I do think it's more, the momentary amusement of seeing it has to be weighed against the numerous people who felt existential despair from it
Like, it's a neat trick for some, but others are losing their jobs or getting their bodies, voices, or writing exploited, and seeing it like that is miserable

Lyxie #ffffff 20:59
I'm with Kelfie here, I think we should stop it here.

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Matty Matt 60HR 20:59
But it had stuff generated on top of it no? Where do you think that came from?

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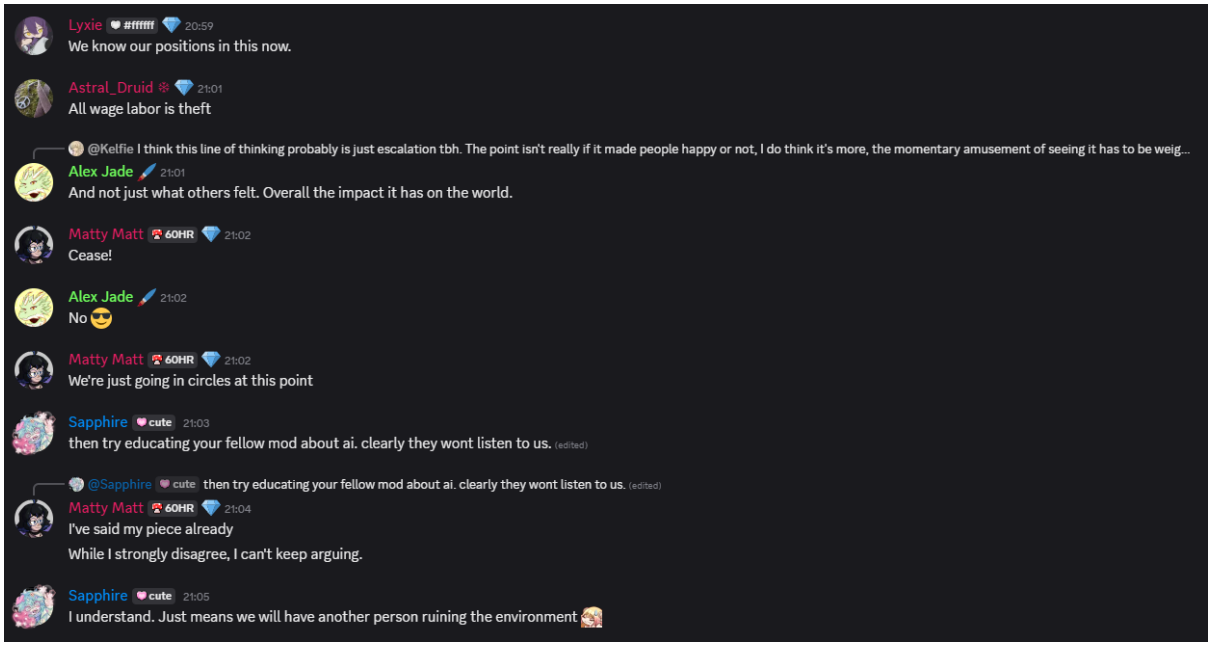
Ok



Lyxie #ffffff 20:59
We know our positions in this now.

Astral_Druid 21:01
All wage labor is theft

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Alex Jade 21:01
And not just what others felt. Overall the impact it has on the world.

Matty Matt 60HR 21:02
Cease!

Alex Jade 21:02
No 😎

Matty Matt 60HR 21:02
We're just going in circles at this point

Sapphire cute 21:03
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Matty Matt 60HR 21:04
I've said my piece already
While I strongly disagree, I can't keep arguing.

Sapphire cute 21:05
I understand. Just means we will have another person ruining the environment

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:05
I believe the models should be trained on a work that is freely given
I also agree that we should be reducing the amount of AI we are producing (edited)
The problem from AI stems from a lot of competition to an AI firms
This is because AI is tied to a profit incentive still
We must work to remove the profit incentive from AI

Matty Matt 60HR 21:06
Time for me to mute the channel for a while...

Wesbot 21:07
I believe the greater issue for this community is how AI "art" is unwelcoming to creatives

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:08
I'm arguing the creatives are missing the forest for the trees
When the laborers are next

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Lyxie #ffffff 21:09
We're trying

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:09
Let's have a round table about it

Alex Jade 21:10
The thing is, that even if we take what you are saying into account, it does not justify your use of it for the purposes that you did.

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:10
You're speaking to me like I'm selling something

Sapphire cute 21:11
all we are asking is you to stop using Ai.
I can show you websites where you can make things for free. without stealing art.
or ruining the environment

Alex Jade 21:12
I mean, you are defending the use of AI for frivolous things.

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:13
Granted this is frivolous

Kelfie 21:13
The use of AI for minor enjoyment is frivolous, but the act of using it has a lot of negative meaning to people
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Wesbot 21:15
If people don't feel respected here they will leave

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:17
I have enormous respect for the work of artists and I appreciate the intention of their work.

Sapphire cute 21:17
clearly not..

Alex Jade 21:18
You would not be using that AI model if that was the case

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:18
I used photography here instead of an alt filter for these reasons

Sapphire cute 21:18

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:19
I am sorry for using AI resources frivolously
I'm really wanted to show people the tool that they could use to see themselves using their avatar representation

Sapphire cute 21:20
really.. really bad way to do it. Just stick with normal vrchat pictures.

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Matty Matt 60HR 21:20
You showing someone a tool that does that would be fine, if the tool didn't steal the art.

Alex Jade 21:20
Amongst other things.

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Matty Matt 60HR 21:21
Regardless of what you use, it still does that.

Sapphire cute 21:21
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anything with a stupid ai filter is..

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Astral_Druid ❄ 21:22
Lilybeth made her avatar totally from scratch
And she was super exited have the photos shared of her

Sapphire cute 21:23

welp

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:23
These were taken with consent

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Astral_Druid ❄ 21:24
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Matty Matt 60HR 21:24
It will still pull images from wherever to fill in the blanks

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Alex Jade 21:24
No, because kitbashers did not steal anything.

Astral_Druid ❄ 21:24
They do often

Alex Jade 21:24
They bought multiple things that they combined.

> @Astral_Druid ❄ Not everyone has the resources to pay for expensive avatars either Matty, are you going to call out kitbashers too

Sapphire cute 21:25
it does. not matter. if. they dont have. money.
art can be totally free.

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**Matty Matt** 60HR 21:25
So if you can't afford it's ok to steal? Also I pay for my booth assets thank you!

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:26
Who here has not pirated a video game? Or spent time in a world built by ported video game assets?
Culture should be free

**Alex Jade** 21:26
Stealing from a megacorporation and stealing from your neighbour is quite a difference
And yes, it should be free, but it is not, and those artists survive based on what they make, because we currently live under this system

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:27
I am not advocating stealing from your neighbors!

**Matty Matt** 60HR 21:27
It's stealing art from people who can't afford to have it stolen, pirating a movie is stealing from multi million dollar companies.

**Sapphire** cute 21:27
most games were pirated due to the fact they are made by shitty companies that only care for your money.

**Alex Jade** 21:27
But if art is stolen from some random artist, someone from the community here for examplew
that is literally stealing from your neighbour

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:28
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**Matty Matt** 60HR 21:29
So don't generate AI images then 🙏

**Sapphire** cute 21:29
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stop wasting your time on that.

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**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:29
Sheesh I did it one time in like ever since AI came around

**Sapphire** cute 21:30
help out artists instead of hurting them.

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:30
Yes Ma'am

**Alex Jade** 21:30
I mean, you could have just admitted your fault then, instead of trying to die on the hill defending it.

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:31
I recognize that it's frivolous. I'm sorry for using extra community resources, and for not applying the appropriate context for the work submitted

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Ideally an AI generation should have a catelogued list of sources

**Matty Matt** 60HR 21:33
Astral I highly recommend watching the video I posted in vrchat. I'm not saying this to be a butt, I think it's important.

**Astral_Druid** ❄ 21:34
--Obviously we don't have that because current models don't have an interest in doing that (edited)